Remarks

In response to the communication dated October 30, 2008, the applicants hereby elect 4,4'-bis(2-sulfostyryl)biphenyl and salts thereof. See, for instance, claim 42, which claims the elected compound. It was just noted that a formula was inadvertentally omitted from claim 37 in the previous response, so that a new set of claims with the corrected claim 37, appearing as presented in the preliminary amendment accompanying the original application paper, is included in this response.

Claims 33-36 and 39-63 read on the elected species.

Early and favorable action on the merits is awaited.

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